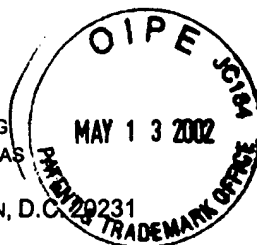


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In response to the outstanding Office Action dated December 17, 2001, kindly
amend the above identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1, 4 and 11.

Add the following claim.

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12. A process for manufacturing shaped articles having a formaldehyde emission
of 15 mg/kg, measured on sheets of wall thickness 1 mm after 24 hours in accordance with
VDA 275, while retaining a modulus of elasticity in accordance with ISO 527 of from 2400
to 3100 N/mm², a yield stress in accordance with ISO 527 of from 60 to 70 N/mm² and a
notched impact strength in accordance ISO 179 at 23°C of from 4 to 12 mJ/mm²,